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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 12048-006					
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (# kpgwg, see 37 CF \$ 1.5)					
	ATIONAL FILING DATE	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED					
PCT/CA2005/000420 March	21, 2005	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED March 19, 2004					
TITLE OF INVENTION STRINGER AND STEP SUPPORT KIT FOR STAIRWAYS							
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US							
Raymond COUTURE  Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:							
1. X This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.							
2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.							
3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.							
4. The US has been elected (Article 31).	4. The US has been elected (Article 31).						
5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))							
a. x is attached hereto (required only if not co	a. s attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).						
b. X has been communicated by the Internation	onal Bureau.						
c. is not required, as the application was file	ed in the United States Received	ring Office (RO/US).					
6. An English language translation of the Internationa	I Application as filed (35 U.S.	C. 371(c)(2)).					
a. is attached hereto.							
b. has been previously submitted under 35	b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).						
7. Amendments to the claims of the International App	lication under PCT Article 19	(35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))					
a. are attached hereto (required only if not	a. are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).						
b. have been communicated by the International	b, have been communicated by the International Bureau.						
c. have not been made; however, the time	c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.						
d. X have not been made and will not be ma	d. X have not been made and will not be made.						
8. An English language translation of the amendmen	An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).						
9. X An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C	An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).						
10. An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).							
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or informa	tion included:						
11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CF	R 1.97 and 1.98.						
12. An assignment document for recording. A separat	An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.						
13. X A preliminary amendment.	A preliminary amendment.						
14. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.	An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.						
15. A substitute specification.	A substitute specification.						
16. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter	A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.						
17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing	A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.						
18. A second copy of the published International Appl	ication under 35 U.S.C. 154(d	1)(4).					
19. A second copy of the English language translation	of the international application	on under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).					

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20. Other	items or informatio	Post car	rd, Form PCT/IB/30 cional Search Repo		st,		
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22. Examination fee (37 CFR 1.492(c))  If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the international preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)\$0  All other situations				\$ 200.00			
23. Search fee (37 CFR 1.492(b))  If the written opinion of the ISA/US or the International preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)			\$ 400.00				
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CLAIMS	NUME	ER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	\$		
Total claims		- 20 =		x \$50	\$		
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MULTIPLE DEP	ENDENT CLAIM(	S) (if applicable)		+ \$360	\$		
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =			\$ 1030.00				
Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2.			(515.00)				
SUBTOTAL =			\$ 515.00	<u> </u>			
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)).			\$ 0				
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =			\$ 515,00				
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property +			\$ 0				
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